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Coles County-area residents interested in helping emergency officials keep an eye on the sky are invited to attend the National Weather Service's upcoming Storm Spotters Training Course at Eastern Illinois University.

The free course is to begin at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23, in the EIU Physical Science Building's Phipps Auditorium (Room 1205).

Storm spotters are a vital component of public safety when severe weather strikes. Although weather technology has improved by leaps and bounds in the last decade, human observations are extremely important to determine whether what meteorologists are seeing on their radar screens is actually occurring in the field.

The course is sponsored by the EIU Department of Geology and Geography, the National Weather Service and Coles County Emergency Management Agency.

For more information, please contact EIU instructor Cameron Craig at cdcraig@eiu.edu or 581-2626.